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Chemicals Better

Do Away With Force By Police, He Urges

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A very prolific young Orinda man named Joseph E. Spott calls himself the nation's "Number One criminologist and penologist."

—He is tall, with bulging, earnest eyes and he talks very fast with a slight Polish-Wisconsin accent.

He is the inventor of "Spott: A system for women to counterattack an attacker in order to flee to safety and mark the attacker for easy identification and arrest by police."

He taught this system to interested women at women's clubs, high schools and other places.

"Any woman can immobilize a stranger with the Spott system," he said. "With my system, she counterattacks and leaves the attacker helpless."

'CRIME STOP' SPRAY

Spott also invented "Crime Stop," a small, black plastic container with a brass nozzle that emitted a spray that "stops and neutralizes the subject, thus causing subject to be arrested easily."

He suggested, for instance, in his book ("The Jail Concept, Reformation by Rehabilitation," Library of Congress catalog card number 67-22422, published by Spott Publishing Co.) that guns be taken away from policemen and placed in patrol cars

where they could be obtained when required. "Replace the guns with Crime Stop chemical atomizers in the holsters," he wrote.

Spott, a consulting criminologist and owner-operator of a private security patrol, is prolific verbally, too. He went around saying things like: "The police chief who will use force to maintain tranquility on the streets is the wrong chief of police in a democracy. Such a person would do fine in a former Nazi regime but not in the United States."

PROPER TRAINING

Spott believes that policemen are not trained properly; that they ought to be trained to stop crime before it starts, much like a doctor attempts to stop an epidemic before it becomes widespread. He also is highly critical of the jail system in this country, and urged that

all jail staffs be scientifically trained to "redirect" criminals to useful roles in society.

This year Spott decided to found a university to train tomorrow's police officer, national security agent and jailer. He called it Spott University, with offices at 50 Muth Drive in Orinda. It would be fully accredited, he announced, by the American Redirection Association, of which he was also president and founder.

Spott applied to the state of California for tax-exempt status and a charter to operate his non-profit university, and got it. He looked around for campus site locations, and set out to recruit faculty.

RAFT OF COURSES

He wrote an extensive catalog of courses to be offered by his university.

Students enrolling in the College of National Security, said Spott, would have to obtain top secret clearances from the government at their own expense. The courses (Introduction to National Security, International Security, Beginning Gunnery, Advanced Gunnery, Illegal Agent Identification, Interrogation) were that hot.

Spott anticipated hiring as faculty for this College old CIA agents or retired enemy agents who had become American citizens. One of his requirements was that prospective faculty must have had at least five years experience "in the field." This tended to limit the pool of available manpower somewhat, so that he anticipated having one-man departments.

HIS OWN FORCE

The Department of Police in the College of National Security offered a slate of courses leading to the B.A. degree. One of Spott's plans was to apply for permission to form a police protection district at the campus in order to create a police department.

"Junior police students will become police officers and by the time they graduate they will have two years actual police experience," said Spott. "The police will patrol the perimeter and interior areas; they will have to attempt to intercept illegal agents. The national security

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